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MEMORANDUM FOR: EA/DDO

SUBJECT:

H.R. 14135, "To establish a National Resource Information System, and for other purposes."

1. SAC/DDO comments that:

- a. This proposal relates exclusively to national resources and therefore, by definition there would be no CIA reporting appropriately consigned to the three libraries of the National Resource Information System.
- b. Because resources are inherently international in character and because the bill requires U.S. companies to report on the activities of its foreign affiliates of their U.S.-based firms, there will inevitably be a spill-over into international information.
- c. Since the bill calls for the support of the new bureau by other government departments and agencies, there may be an inclination to have the CIA used as a tool to verify information on U.S. firms operating overseas and on foreign firms operating in the United States. Such efforts should be resisted as private firms, U.S. or foreign, will be reluctant to cooperate with a CIA that has been tasked with a policing role.
- d. The provision for protection of secrecy (Section 209) will be another useful step toward the problem of getting the secrecy act on the books to protect sources and techniques.

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